

LOCAL EMPLOYMENT DYNAMICS PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL WORKSHOP

“Local Data for Local Decisions”

March 6-8, 2012
Washington, DC

CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS

We invite you to submit a proposal to present at the 13th Annual Local Employment Dynamics (LED) Partnership Workshop. The LED Partnership is a collaborative partnership between state data agencies and the Census Bureau to leverage existing data in the development of new sources of economic and demographic information for policy makers and data users. The workshop provides professional development and networking for Labor Market Information (LMI) directors, data analysts and data providers at state and federal agencies, nonprofit organizations, businesses, and other data users. The focus of presentations at the workshop is to highlight new uses of the Quarterly Workforce Indicators (QWI) and OnTheMap data created via the LED partnership, as well as use of the supporting web applications: QWI Online; Industry Focus; OnTheMap; and OnTheMap for Emergency Management.

Presentations selected for the workshop will be featured on plenary panels or in targeted breakout sessions during this popular learning event. Topics should fit within the theme of “Local Data for Local Decisions” and could be from a wide variety of disciplines, including, but not limited to: workforce development, economic development, transportation planning, and emergency management. We are particularly interested in examples from our state partners and LMI shops.

Submission Deadline: Wednesday, December 7, 2011

ONLINE SUBMISSION:

All presentations must be submitted via email to Dr. Kimberly M. Jones at kimberly.m.jones@census.gov. Please provide the following information:

- Your name and contact information
- Brief bio
- Proposed title
- Brief abstract of the presentation (3 sentences/50-60 words)
- 200-300 word description of the presentation
- Any special audio/visual needs (Conference management will supply PC, digital projector, and high-speed Internet)

Proposals must include all requested information and must be received by the deadline. You will receive an email confirmation upon receipt of your submission.

SELECTION PROCESS:

The LED Partnership seeks presentations that reflect:

- Case studies, innovations, best practices using LED partnership data and supporting applications
- Integration of LED partnership data with other sources
- LED-based programs and initiatives that demonstrate measurable impact and results
- Outstanding success stories

Proposals will be judged on the following criteria:

- Relevance
- Informing decision-making and/or problem solving
- Usefulness to other data users
- Presentations must *feature* the use of LED partnership data, alone or in combination with other data sources.

Presentation proposals are eligible for inclusion in the Poster Session (see Poster Session information).

NOTIFICATION:

Submitters will be notified of selection status via email by January 4, 2012. Once selected, presenters must confirm their ability to present NO LATER than January 18, 2012.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES:

1. Visual representations (PowerPoint, maps, graphs, data visualization) and online demonstrations are strongly encouraged.
2. Presentations may be posted to the LED Partnership website and used in promotional materials.
3. The LED Partnership reserves the right to edit all submitted presentations for publication on the website and in the workshop program.
4. The workshop program team will determine the day and times for the presentation panel.
5. Presentations should be approximately 20-30 minutes in duration, with an additional 10 minutes for questions and answer; a discussant will moderate and encourage discussion of potential/similar uses of the LED data in the winning presentations.
6. The Census Bureau will provide two nights lodging and airfare (using Government contract carrier) for selected presenters. Other costs will be at the expense of the presenters.

Poster Session

The LED Partnership Annual Workshop will offer a poster session featuring large-format documents that inform attendees about recent research findings and practical applications of LED partnership data, alone or in combination with other data sources.

Posters, provided by the submitter, are displayed for attendees to read at their leisure during the meeting and a scheduled "poster session" will allow poster authors and attendees to discuss the work in person.